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by Motor and Armored Trains**

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## Motorized Patrols

1. "Because important Soviet communication lines cross the Polish territory of East Prussia, particularly the county of Olsztyn, the Soviet command in Kaliningrad is empowered to send motorized patrols of army and MVD soldiers to the Polish part of East Prussia.

## Armored Trains

2. "Soviet armored trains also have the right to travel over the Polish territory. Their final points of penetration are normally: Elk, Ilawa, Ostroda, Wielbark, Tczew and Kwidzyna.
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  - (b) Two light armored trains, one quartered in Ludwigsort (now Ladushkin) and the other in Eylau (now Bagrationovsk).
  - (c) One section of armored railway 'trolleys', divided into two parts. A section is stationed with each of the light armored trains mentioned above.
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5. "A second large armored train unit, having an identical disposition, is also quartered in the Kaliningrad Oblast (headquarters in Tcher-niakovsk, former Insterburg). This unit does not operate on Polish territory.
6. "It is reported that both units together constitute a division and that they arrived from the Estonian and Latvian SSR in autumn 1953, to replace another division. Previously, only one Soviet armored train made patrols on Polish territory. It ran on the line Braniewo-Elblag-Malbork-Tczew."

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